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Throughout my life I have seen a variety of different tools used for presentations some resulting in great presentations others in bad ones. In the tenth grade we gave a presentation about one of the books that we read, and I remember seeing a video where the music choice distracted everyone from the message of the video. Another person chose to do a prezi, but due to a lack of space there slides were cluttered.Within the same class there was a fantastic Google slides presentation that didn’t contain too much text, and provided many visual aids. The tool that will serve me best is for my presentation is Google slides because of its familiarity, amount of design space, and its linear structure.

The least important reason for me to use a Google slide presentation is because of the familiarity of it to me. Familiarity is the least important because it is relatively easy to learn how to use a different tool for a presentation. I can atest to this easy of ability in that throughout my schooling I have used a variety of tools from videos to prezis, and have always figured out a way to work out any glitches. I also consider it to me the least important reason simply because it doesn’t benefit the audience as much it benefits me. Now I will talk about the second reason that I chose to use Google slides for my presentation.

The second reason I chose to use a Google slide presentation is because has more design space than most tools. The larger amount of design space is a positive trait for my presentation because it allows me to illustrate my points more effectively. With the larger amount of design space also makes it easier to make sure that the image fits properly which makes it easier for my audience to see my images clearly. While in a tool such as Prezi the amount of space is smaller thus you risk your slides looking cluttered, and your audience not being able to see the images properly. The increased design space however is not the most important reason why I chose Google slides.

The most important reason that I chose to use a Google slide presentation is that it follows a more linear pattern. The linear structure allows me to present my information in a more debate like style where I talk about the benefits, comparison, problem, and action. The format allows my audience to better understand why the lack of foreign language curriculum in a problem. The structure also benefits me in that it will not make my audience motion sick the way Prezi can sometimes. Now that I have talked about my reasons I will now address the criticism that I face choosing Google slides as my tool.

The criticism that is commonly directed at presenters that use Google slides is that slides is a very traditional tool, and can be kind of boring. My rebuttal would be that the reason it is known as a traditional method is because of how effective slides can be if a person doesn’t overload the slide with text for their audience to read. I can attest to the effectiveness of Google slide presentations in that I have seen many good slide presentations, and the ones that weren’t effective often simply involved having too much text on a slide. I would also address the idea that they can be boring in that a presenter can add things such as moving images, videos, and even transitions to make their slides more engaging. Overall, I have found Google slides to be an effective tool despite its traditional use.

Throughout my schooling I have seen a variety of tools used in presentations, and some of those tools are more effective than others. The worst tools often had small design spaces which lead presenters to have crowded pieces in which the audience could not focus on one particular piece. Another thing I have frequently seen is the use of tools such as Prezi that can make a audience have motion sickness. That is why for my senior project Google slides will be the best tool because of its familiarity, amount of design space, and the linear structure that it has.